

**C O M M U N I T Y**

# Every dog has his day in 'Doggie Dash'

By Sue Stafford  
Correspondent

Every dog's gotta have his day, and here in Sisters that day is Saturday, August 15, at Village Green Park, south of downtown.

Bring your pooch to the fourth annual Doggie Dash/Stroll and Fest from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., with on-site registration beginning at 8 a.m.

Everyone's invited to come, with or without a dog, to mingle with dogs and their humans, participate in the 5K run/walk or two-mile stroll,

and enter your dog or simply watch the five fun contests scheduled for the canines: Best Trick; Best Look-a-Like; Best Hair; Best Howl; and a K-9 pie-eating contest.

There will be prizes for all events, including Doggie Dash Hydro Flasks, a hand-painted portrait of your dog, assorted dog-related equipment from Ruffwear, a bike tune-up from Blazin Saddles and many more.

The dash/stroll route goes south from the park onto

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PHOTO BY KATHRYN GODSIFF

Kanoë Godby driving Freedom at Clay Maier's driving clinic last weekend.

# BBR Board votes support of paved trail

By Sue Wickizer  
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The Black Butte Ranch Board of Directors voted unanimously to reconfirm the Homeowner Association's philosophical support of a paved multi-use trail from Sisters to the Ranch at a regularly scheduled meeting on Friday, July 23.

The board will send a letter of support for the path to Alan Unger, Deschutes County commissioner, with a recommendation that the U.S. Forest Service conduct a new environmental assessment for the proposed path.

Commissioner Unger has requested letters from

individuals and organizations in order to determine if there is enough community support for the Forest Service to schedule an environmental assessment in its next budgetary cycle. Should this happen the Forest Service will actively solicit feedback from affected communities.

In September of 2014, the Ranch board had voted to philosophically support the trail project after reviewing the results of a survey of homeowners. In response to survey questions, 61 percent of homeowners indicated support for the trail, 14 percent were undecided, and 25 percent were

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# Maier returns to Sisters for clinic

By Kathryn Godsiff  
Correspondent

Former Sisters resident and carriage-horse trainer extraordinaire Clay Maier was in Sisters Country recently to conduct a carriage-driving clinic at the Indian Ford property of Kanoë Godby. Participants from several western states turned up with their horses and carriages to tap into Maier's wealth of experience.

Maier trained the Knapp Friesians a few miles down Indian Ford Road for 15 years, traveling across the country to carriage-horse shows in the early 1990s and later wowing crowds with the Friesians Spectacular, an entertainment act that saw him riding one of the majestic horses while driving the other one on long lines.

Maier and the Knapp

Friesian geldings performed at major equine events on both coasts and were the entertainment at Sisters Rodeo on two occasions. In 2007, Maier relocated to the Kentucky Horse Park when the Knapp family downsized the horse operation.

His role at the Kentucky Horse Park, a destination for horse-lovers of all breeds and disciplines, was to coordinate the equine entertainment aspects of some of the various exhibits. The pinnacle of that experience occurred in 2010, when the World Equestrian Games were held at the Kentucky Horse Park. It was the first time the games had been staged outside of Europe. Maier was tasked with developing the equine portion of the glittery opening ceremony.

One hot afternoon during a rehearsal, he heard a refined

British voice asking to speak with him. The gentleman was a representative of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth, and was inquiring as to Maier's availability to participate in the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations, due to be held in May 2012. The Windsor Horse Show at Windsor Castle would be the venue for an equine extravaganza, and they wanted a Western-themed presentation from the United States.

Maier agreed and a contingent of cowboys, Texas longhorn cattle, trick ropers, stagecoach drivers, Pony Express riders and Native Americans represented America in one of the largest equine events in British history. More than 500 horses and 1,100 performers entertained the public

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## SISTERS AREA MEETING CALENDAR

### BOARDS, GROUPS, CLUBS

**ALANON** Monday, noon, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church • Wednesday, 6 p.m., The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration. 541-549-8737 or 541-549-1527.

**Alcoholics Anonymous** Thursday & Sunday, 7 p.m., The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration • Saturday, 8 a.m., The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration • Monday, 5 p.m., Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church • Tuesday, noon, Big Book study, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church • Thursday, noon, Sober Sisters Women Meeting, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church. 541-548-0440.

**Authors Support Group** 2nd Friday, 10 a.m., Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce. 541-588-0081.

**Black Butte Macintosh Users Group** 3rd Thursday, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., Sisters Library community room. 541-549-1471.

**Black Butte Ranch Bridge Club** Tuesdays, 12:30 p.m., Black Butte Ranch community room. All welcome; partner required. 541-595-6236.

**Central Oregon Council on Aging Senior Lunch** Tuesdays, noon, Sisters Community Church. 541-678-5483.

**Central Oregon Fly Tyers Guild** 4th Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For location information: 541-549-2072.

**Central Oregon Spinners and Weavers Guild** 4th Saturday, 1 to 3 p.m. Sisters Library. 541-639-3217.

**Central Oregon Woodworkers Guild** 1st Monday. 541-610-9022.

**East of the Cascades Quilt Guild** 4th Wednesday, September-June, Stitchin' Post. All are welcome. 541-549-6061.

**Friends of the Sisters Library Board of Directors** 2nd Tuesday, 9 to 11 a.m., Sisters Library. Public is welcome. 541-977-8285.

**Heartwarmers** (fleece blanketmakers) 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 1 p.m., Sisters City Hall. Just bring scissors! 503-880-5832.

**Hero Quilters of Sisters** Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m. 541-549-1028 or 541-548-3304.

**Military Parents of Sisters** 2nd Thursday, 5:30 p.m., Ray's Food Place community room. 541-647-7483.

**Oregon Band of Brothers - Sisters Chapter** Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m., Takoda's Restaurant. 541-408-5594.

**SAGE (Senior Activities, Gatherings & Enrichment)** Wednesdays, 1 to 4 p.m. at SPRD. 541-549-2091.

**Sisters Area Photography Club** 2nd Wednesday, 4 p.m., Sisters Library community room. 541-549-6157.

**Sisters Area SketchUp Users Group** 2nd Wednesday, 7 p.m., Earthwood Timber Frame Homes. 541-549-0924.

**Sisters Astronomy Club** 3rd Tuesday, 7 p.m., SPRD. 541-549-8846.

**Sisters Bridge Club** Thursdays, 12:30 p.m., The Pines Clubhouse. Novices welcomed. 541-549-9419.

**Sisters Cribbage Club** Tuesdays, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Ray's Food Place community room. All are welcome. 541-923-1632.

**Sisters Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors** 4th Tuesday, 6 p.m. Location information: 541-549-1193.

**Sisters Kiwanis** Thursdays, 7 a.m., Brand 33 Restaurant at Aspen Lakes. 541-410-2870.

**Sisters Red Hats** 1st Friday. Location information: 541-279-1977.

**Sisters Rotary** Tuesdays, noon, Aspen Lakes Lodge. 541-977-6545.

**Sisters Trails Alliance Board of Directors** 2nd Wed., 5:30 to 7 p.m. The Pines Clubhouse. 541-719-8822.

**Sisters Veterans** Thursdays, noon, Takoda's Restaurant. 541-903-1123.

**Three Sisters Irrigation District Board of Directors** 1st Tuesday, 4 p.m., TSID Office. 541-549-8815.

**Three Sisters Lions Club** 2nd Tuesday, noon, Ray's Food Place community room. 541-419-1279.

**VFW 8138 & American Legion** 1st Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Sisters City Hall. Service officer available. 541-903-1123 or 541-549-1132.

### CITY & PARKS

**Sisters City Council** 2nd & 4th Thursday, 7 p.m., Sisters City Hall. 541-549-6022.

**Sisters Park & Recreation District Board of Directors** 1st Tuesday, 5:30 p.m., SPRD building. The public is welcome. 541-549-2091.

**Sisters Planning Commission** 3rd Thursday, 5:30 p.m., Sisters City Hall. 541-549-6022.

### FIRE & POLICE

**Black Butte Ranch Police Dept. Board of Directors** Meets monthly. 541-595-2191 for time & date.

**Black Butte Ranch RFPD Board of Directors** 4th Thursday, 9 a.m., Black Butte Ranch Fire Station. 541-595-2288.

**Cloverdale RFPD Board of Directors** 3rd Wednesday, 7 p.m., Main Station, George Cyrus Rd. 541-548-4815. See the agenda at [www.cloverdalefire.com](http://www.cloverdalefire.com).

**Sisters-Camp Sherman RFPD Board of Directors** 3rd Tuesday, 5 p.m., Sisters Fire Hall, 301 S. Elm St. 541-549-0771.

**Sisters-Camp Sherman RFPD Drills** Mondays, 7 p.m., Sisters Fire Hall, 301 S. Elm St. 541-549-0771.

### SCHOOLS

**Black Butte School Board of Directors** 2nd Tuesday, 5 p.m., Black Butte School. 541-595-6203.

**Sisters Christian Academy Board of Directors** 2nd Thursday, 8 a.m., RE/MAX Revolution office at Outlaw Station. 541-549-4133.

**Sisters School District Board of Directors** One Wednesday per month, SSD Admin Bldg. See schedule at [www.sisters.k12.or.us](http://www.sisters.k12.or.us). 541-549-8521 x4011.

